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December 17, 2008

Ms. Stephanie Stumbo **Executive Director** Kentucky Public Service Commission 211 Sower Boulevard PO Box 615 Frankfort, KY 40602

RE:

Equitable Gas Company

Case No.

GCR Filing Proposed to Become

Effective February 1, 2009

Dear Ms. Stumbo:

2008-548

Enclosed are an original and five copies of Equitable Gas Company's (Equitable) Gas Cost Recovery (GCR) filing for the calendar quarter ended October 31, 2008, for rates proposed to become effective February 1, 2009. Also included are an original and five copies of One Hundred Twenty-Fifth Revised Sheet No. 2 and One Hundred Seventeenth Revised Sheet No. 5, to Equitable's PSC Kentucky No. 1 Tariff, which are being filed pursuant to the Purchased Gas Adjustment Provision of that Tariff.

This filing proposes a GCR rate of \$11.5624 per Mcf of sales, a decrease of \$3.3347 per Mcf from the current PGA, which was approved in Case No. 2008-00400 effective November 1, 2008.

For the purpose of forecasting its (EGC), Equitable is assuming purchases based on the Appalachian Index price of gas for Columbia Transmission. This price is developed by averaging the estimated cost of gas over 3 months beginning February 2009 and adding an additional \$0.27 Basis.

Schedule 1 of the filing is a summary of the proposed PGA rate components. Schedule 2 is a summary of the expected gas costs based on purchases for the 12 months ended October 2008. Schedule 3 is a listing by month of Equitable's sales to its customer's for the 12 months ended October 2008. Schedules 4 and 5 are summaries of ACA components, which are presently unreconciled.

Yours truly,

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Manager, Rates

Enclosures

ONE HUNDRED TWENTY-FIFTH REVISED SHEET NO. 2 CANCELING

ONE HUNDRED TWENTY-FOURTH REVISED SHEET NO. 2 P.S.C.K.Y. NO. 1

225 NORTH SHORE DRIVE PITTSBURGH, PA 15212-5861

RATE

Customer: Various

Expiration: See "Special Conditions"

Point of Delivery:

At connection along Kentucky West Virginia Gas Company's well connection and gathering system in Eastern Kentucky included in Equitable Gas Company's service area.

Rate:

Customer Service Charge: \$7.50

 $\frac{\text{Base Rate}}{\text{All Mcf}} + \frac{\text{Gas Cost Recovery Rate*}}{\$11.5624 \text{ per MCF}} = \frac{\text{Total Rate}}{\$13.6946} \tag{D}$

The minimum monthly bill shall be \$7.50.

*The "Gas Cost Recovery Rate (GCR)" as shown above, is an adjustment per Mcf determined in accordance with the "Gas Cost Adjustment Clause" as set forth on Sheets No. 4 and 5 of this tariff.

The following adjustment shall be made to the above rates:

(1) Customer bills may also include gross receipts license taxes as authorized under the Kentucky Education Reform Act of 1990.

Gas delivered pursuant to this tariff is from pipelines owned and operated by Equitable Gas Company's supplier and all gas sold hereunder is made available by said supplier. Equitable shall have the right to abandon gas service to any customer served from any line which is no longer operated by its supplier for any reason whatsoever. All gas sold and delivered under this Tariff shall be delivered at the varying pressures of Equitable's supplier's pipeline, and it shall be the responsibility of the customer to supply, maintain, and operate the necessary regulator and related equipment for the customer's use.

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ONE HUNDREDTH SIXTEENTH REVISED SHEET NO. 5 P.S.C.K.Y. NO. 1

PURCHASED GAS ADJUSTMENT CLAUSE (Continued)

Definitions

For purposes of this tariff:

- a. "Average Expected Cost" is the cost of purchased gas which results from the application of supplier rates currently in effect, or reasonably expected to be in effect during the calendar quarter, on purchased gas volumes during the twelve-month period ending with the reporting period to which the GCR will apply, divided by the corresponding sales volume. Where the calculations require the use of volumes used during a given period, and those volumes did not exist for a particular source for the entire period, or the Company expects the volumes to change substantially, the Company may make appropriate adjustments to its calculations. Any adjustments of this type shall be described in the quarterly Gas Cost Recovery Report.
- b. "GCR" means the quarterly updated gas cost recovery rate and is the sum of the expected gas cost component plus the supplier refund adjustment plus the actual cost adjustment plus the balancing adjustment; i.e., GCR = EGC + RA + ACA + BA.
- "Calendar Quarters" means each of the four three-month periods of (1) February, March, and April; (2) May, June, and July; (3) August, September, and October; (4) November, December, and January.
- d. "Reporting Period" means the three-month accounting period that ended approximately sixty (60) days prior to the filing date of the updated gas cost recovery rates; i.e., the calendar quarters ended April 30, July 31, October 31, and January 31 of each year.

Gas Cost Recovery Rate (GCR):

Expected Gas Supply Cost (EGC)	10.0355	(D)
Refund Adjustment (RA)	0.0000	
Actual Cost Adjustment (ACA)	1.5637	(I)
Balance Adjustment (BA)	(0.0368)	(I)
Total Gas Cost Recovery Rate per Mcf	11.5624	(D)

Summary of Gas Cost Recovery Rate Proposed to Become Effective for the Period February 1, 2009 through April 30, 2009

Line <u>No.</u>	Units (1)	Amount (2)
GCR Components 1 Expected Gas Cost (EGC) 2 Supplier Refund (RA) 3 Actual Cost Adjustment (ACA) 4 Balance Adjustment (BA) 5 Gas Cost Recovery Rate (EGC + RA + ACA + BA)	\$/Mcf \$/Mcf \$/Mcf \$/Mcf \$/Mcf	10.0355 0.0000 1.5637 (0.0368) 11.5624
Expected Gas Cost Calculation (EGC) 6 Total Expected Cost of Gas 7 Total Annual Sales 8 Expected Gas Cost Rate (EGC) (Line 6 ÷ Line 7)	\$ Mcf \$/Mcf	2,091,324 (a) 208,393 (b) 10.0355
Supplier Refund Adjustment Summary 9 Current Quarter Refund Adjustment 10 Previous Quarter Refund Adjustment 11 2nd Previous Quarter Refund Adjustment 12 3rd Previous Quarter Refund Adjustment 13 Supplier Refund Adjustment (RA)	\$/Mcf \$/Mcf \$/Mcf \$/Mcf \$/Mcf	0.0000 (c) 0.0000 (d) 0.0000 (e) 0.0000 (f)
Actual Cost Adjustment Summary 14 Current Quarter Adjustment 15 Previous Quarter Adjustment 16 2nd Previous Quarter Adjustment 17 3rd Previous Quarter Adjustment 18 Actual Cost Adjustment (ACA)	\$/Mcf \$/Mcf \$/Mcf \$/Mcf \$/Mcf	0.1236 (g) 1.0416 (d) 0.6483 (e) (0.2498) (f) 1.5637
Balance Adjustment Summary 19 Current Quarter Adjustment 20 Previous Quarter Adjustment 21 2nd Previous Quarter Adjustment 22 3rd Previous Quarter Adjustment 23 Balance Adjustment (BA)	\$/Mcf \$/Mcf \$/Mcf \$/Mcf \$/Mcf	0.0023 (h) (0.0178) (d) (0.0124) (e) (0.0089) (f) (0.0368)

- (a) See Schedule 2.
- (b) See Schedule 3.
- (c) No supplier refunds were received during August 2008 through October 2008.
 (d) As approved in Case No. 2008-00400.
 (e) As approved in Case No. 2008-00236.

- (f) As approved in Case No. 2008-00107.
- (g) See Schedule 4.
- (h) See Schedule 5.

Calculation of Expected Gas Cost Based on Purchases for the Twelve Months Ended October 2008 At Supplier Costs Estimated to Become Effective February 1, 2009

		Purchases (1) Mcf	Purchases (2) Dth	Average Rate (3) \$/Dth (a)	Annual Cost (4) \$ (2) x (3)
	PURCHASES			` ,	(, (,
1	November 2007	12,298	15,574	7.7536	120,755
2	December	31,167	39,817	7.7536	308,725
3	January 2008	36,203	46,515	7.7536	360,659
4	February	41,103	52,713	7.7536	408,716
5	March	34,726	44,893	7.7536	348,082
6	April	20,887	27,069	7.7536	209,882
7	May	8,417	10,900	7.7536	84,514
8	June	7,111	10,838	7.7536	84,034
9	July	4,961	6,401	7.7536	49,631
10	August	3,423	4,437	7.7536	34,403
11	September	3,690	4,840	7.7536	37,527
12	October	4,406	5,726	7.7536	44,397
13	Total	208,393	269,723	<u>-</u>	2,091,324

⁽a) Estimated average rate based on average Nymex prices plus TCC basis for a 3 month period, plus \$0.72065/Dth VTS Rate from Kentucky West Virginia Gas Company, and adjusted for 14% retainage.

Schedule 3

Equitable Gas Company Kentucky Division

Summary of Sales

Line <u>No.</u>	<u>Month</u>	Sales
		(1)
		Mcf
1 N	lovember 2007	12,298
2 C	ecember)	31,167
3 J	anuary 2008	36,203
4 F	ebruary	41,103
5 N	1arch	34,726
6 A	pril	20,887
7 N	1 ay	8,417
8 J	une	7,111
9 J	uly	4,961
10 A	ugust	3,423
11 S	eptember	3,690
12 C	october	4,406
13 T	otal	208,393
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Calculation of Actual Cost Adjustment for the Period August 2008 through October 2008

Description	Unit	August	September	October	Total
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
1 Supply Volume Per Invoice	Dth	4,437	4,840	5,726	15,003
2 Supply Cost Per Books	\$	88,731	64,768	95,760	249,260
3 Sales Volume	Mcf	3,423	3,690	4,406	11,519
4 EGC Rate in Effect (a)	\$/Mcf	19.4034	19.4034	19.4034	
5 EGC Revenue (Line 3 x Line 4)	\$	66,418	71,599	85,491	223,508
6 Over/(Under) Recovery (Line 5 - Line 2)	\$	(22,313)	6,831	(10,269)	(25,752)
7 Total Current Quarter Actual Cost to be included in rates					(25,752)
8 Sales for the 12 Months Ended July 2008					208,393
9 Current Quarter Actual Cost Adjustment (ACA) (Line 7 + Line 8)				0.1236	

⁽a) Approved in Case No. 2008-00236.

Calculation of Balancing Adjustment for Over/(Under) Recoveries of Gas Cost Incurred During the Period November 2007 through October 2008

	Sales (1) Mcf	ACA Rate (2) \$/Mcf	ACA <u>Recovery</u> (3) \$ (1) x (2)	Over/(Under) Collection Balance (4) \$
Balance Approve in Case No. 200		ommission		(7,081)
Actual November 2007 December January 2008 February March April May June July August September October Total	12,298 31,167 36,203 41,103 34,726 20,887 8,417 7,111 4,961 3,423 3,690 4,406	0.0317 0.0317 0.0317 0.0317 0.0317 0.0317 0.0317 0.0317 0.0317 0.0317	390 988 1,148 1,303 1,101 662 267 225 157 109 117 140	(6,691) (5,703) (4,555) (3,252) (2,151) (1,489) (1,222) (997) (840) (731) (614) (474)
Total	ZU8,393		6,606	
Estimated Annua	al Sales			208,393 Mcf
Balancing Adjustment (\$474 ÷ 208,393 Mcf)				\$0.0023 /Mcf

Summary of Proposed Tariff Rates

	Current Tariff Rate (1) \$/Mcf (a)	Current GCR Rate (2) \$/Mcf (b)	Proposed GCR Rate (3) \$/Mcf	Difference (4) \$/Mcf (3) - (2)	Proposed Tariff Rate (5) \$/Mcf (1) + (4)
All MCF	17.0293	14.8971	11.5624	(3.3347)	13.6946

⁽a) Non-Gas Rate approved by the Commission at Case No. 2003-00411.(b) Rate approved by the Commission at Case No. 2008-00400.